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OBERLIN GAME

Last Friday night, Hamilton downed the strong Oberlin team in one of the best basketball games seen here this season. What makes this victory peculiarly pleasing is the fact that on the following night Oberlin defeated Rochester on the latter's own court. Altho the game was close and interesting to the spectators, the result was never in doubt and Hamilton led from the start. In fact, Oberlin made a serious tactical error in not starting with its strongest line-up, and even in the second half, when Hamilton had substitutes in the game, could not make up the handicap. The Hamilton subs did not throw a basket among them, so that the visitors crept up towards the end of the game. Gray was easily the star for Oberlin, making eighteen points for his team. For Hamilton, Sherwin did splendid work, throwing six field goals. Allen's dodging and basket-shooting were first-class, and he also threw four fouls. Welch, Roenke, and Wilson also deserve mention for their offensive work. Mr. Hitchcock, of Utica, refereed and was thoroughly satisfactory, holding the game well in hand. The line-up follows:

OBERLIN (30)		HAMILTON (38)
Evans (Smith)		Allen (Bate)
	Right forward	
Gray		Roenke (Nixon)
	Left Forward	
Pendleton (Burton)		Sherwin
	Center	
Ward		Wilson
	Left Guard	
Ament		Welch (Hopkins)
	Right Guard	

Baskets: Allen 4, Roenke 2, Sherwin 6, Wilson 2, Welch 3, Evans 2, Gray 7, Pendleton 1, Ament 1, Ward 1, Burton 1, Smith 1. Fouls: Allen 4, Gray 2.

Timekeepers: White and Grant.

Time of halves: 20 minutes.

Referee: Mr. Hitchcock, of Utica.

BASKETBALL GAMES

In the first game of the trip, Hamilton defeated Union on the latter's home floor for the second time this season. The game was slow and rather rough, neither team doing very much scoring as the figures 28 to 10 indicate. Captain Smith was in the game for the first time this season, and Wilson was able to go this far with the team, so that the team showed its best line-up. The team work and signal plays won the game for Hamilton. Captain Smith hurt his knee and had to give place to Welch. Allen and Wilson excelled for Hamilton, while Brown did good work for Union. The baskets were pretty evenly divided among the team and the individual score will be printed in next week's LIFE, as it is not yet obtainable. The line-up follows:

UNION (10)		HAMILTON (28)
Starbuck		Roenke
	Left Forward	
Buck		Allen
	Right Forward	
Hequemborg		Sherwin
	Centre	
Brown		Wilson
	Right Guard	
Leon		Smith (Welch)
	Left Guard	

Thursday night the Freshman and Sophomore teams played corresponding Colgate teams at Hamiltn. As might be expected, the results were a commentary on the amount of practic which the teams had. The Freshmen did very well and in a game chiefly marked by poor and careless refereeing and roughness, won by a score of 25 to 17. Getman at centre was good and Blunt showed up well in his first appearance at guard. The whole team did fine work.

The Sophomore game was a different story. The Hamilton men have had no practice together and were poor in all departments of the game. The score of 46 to 14 in favor of Colgate can scarcely be a surprise to any one. Colgate 1910 come here on March 4th and the Sophomores ought to get ready for them. Colgate has a heavy but *not* overskillful team. Burns could not stand the pace and was compelled to leave the game.

The line-up.

COLGATE '11 (17)		HAMILTON '11 (25)
Flaherty		Gardner
	Left Forward	
Baker		Nixon
	Right Forward	
Hitchcock		Getman
	Center	
Kelly		Sidle
	Right Guard	
Webb		Blunt
	Left Guard	

Baskets: Getman 3, Blunt 2, Sidle 2, Nixon 1, Gardner 3, Kelly 4, Baker 2, Flaherty 1, Hitchcock 1. Fouls: Nixon 3, Baker 1.

HAMILTON '10 (14)		COLGATE '10 (46)
Burns (Hemenway)		Debeukelaer
	Left Forward	
Glover		Shepardson (Cowell)
	Right Forward	
Baldwin		Woodman (Collister)
	Center	
Hastings		Kronenberg
	Left Guard	
Volovic		McDonnell
	Right Guard	

Baskets: Hemenway 1, Glover 1, Hastings 1, Volovic 2, Shepardson 1,

Debeukelaer 3, Woodman 3, Kronenberg 2, McDonnell 11, Collister 1, Fouls Debeukelaer 3, Cowell 1, Burns 3, Glover 1.

Time of Halves, 20 minutes.

Referee, Bartholomew.

AN INTERESTING CHAPEL

Alfred L. Blair, editor, Republican campaigner, second Mark Twain, and member of the "toughest class that ever went through Hamilton, '72," addressed the chapel of Wednesday noon last. We would enumerate the many rich sparks of wit with which he scintillated, but at "Lit" 's pathetic appeal we have surrendered to her this valuable theme out of pure generosity; and besides we don't need any space-filler.

BOWLING

The new College alleys in Commons Hall were opened last Saturday. They are of the best Brunswick and Balke make and are fully equipped. In the second game played on them Sarles, '10, hung up an alley record that is likely to stand for some time. Sarles did not break through the entire ten innings and finished with a 230. Coston, '11, made a 200 the next game. Getman, '11, made the high mark for Monday with a 183 score. Sicard carried off the plum on Tuesday with 160. These day records are low ones when the men get used to the alleys and round into better form. The membership of the club is now about sixty with new members enrolling every day.

THE INNOVATION

The ideal of making Commons Hall somewhat of a College club has to some extent been realized. A fine pair of bowling alleys has been installed in the basement. A committee was appointed by Dr. Stryker some time ago to draw up rules for the running of the alleys. It was decided to form a Bowling Club, the dues of which would be two dollars annually. Five cents per capita per game is the charge. It was decided to place the alleys in the charge of one man, all the business in connection with them. Thomas, '09, has been given this position. The alleys will be open six hours each day, from three to six, and from seven until ten, excepting Tuesday, when the evening hours shall be from nine to ten.

This new departure is very much appreciated by the College, as it gives the fellows a place to spend their spare time in a way which is of special benefit physically.

In the use of the alleys everyone should give proper judgment and discretion, so that in a few years we may not have them completely disabled.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE.

Jan. 10	Union 17	Hamilton 44
Jan. 14	Colgate 34	Hamilton 27
Jan. 24	Cornell 55	Hamilton 25
Feb. 1	Rochester 26	Hamilton 17
Feb. 7	Rochester 34	Hamilton 25
Feb. 14	Oberlin 30	Hamilton 38
Feb. 19	Union 10	Hamilton 28
Feb. 20	Williams 42	Hamilton 21
Feb. 21	Rutgers	at New Brunswick
Feb. 22	C. C. N. Y.	at New York
Feb. 28	N. Y. University	at Clinton
Mch. 6	Colgate	at Clinton

Y. M C. A. NOTES

Mr. Zimmerman, the well-known evangelist, spoke at the regular Y. M. C. A. meeting last Sunday and gave an excellent talk on practical religion. A graduate of Dickinson in 1890, Mr. Zimmerman still retains a sympathetic interest in every phase of college life, and he touched a responsive chord in the hearts of all present. His definition of religion was communion with God, communion with self, self-control and control of others. He emphasized the point that religion should be a systematic effort toward the realization of ideals and the accomplishment of all that is best. He gave as the three essentials of a true Christian, cleanliness, courage and conscience.

The Mission Study Class, under the leadership of Weekes, '08, held a very interesting session. The subject of Children, in connection with the settlement work, was very ably and efficiently handled. The subject for Feb. 23d is: Men's and Women's Clubs. These meetings are held in Silliman Hall, Sunday afternoons at 3:15.

HARVARD'S SCHOLARSHIPS

The corporation of Harvard University has recently established twenty-five additional scholarships, valued at $150 each and granting a year's study in the graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Assignment of these scholarships will be made in regard to the geographical distribution of the applicants and will in no way be limited to Seniors in Harvard College. They will be awarded to Seniors of promise in other institutions as well.

Here is a chance for a Hamilton man. Hamilton already boasts a Rhodes Scholar, why not a fellow in the Harvard Graduate School? Not only is this an excellent opportunity for one of our men, but the possession of one of these scholarships by a graduate of Hamilton would do much toward bringing Hamilton to the fore in the collegiate world. Applications for 1908-9 should be received not later than March 15th. All inquiries may be addressed to George W. Robinson, Secretary of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 10 University Hall, Cambridge, Mass.

THE EASTER TRIP

The Musical Clubs will probably give no more concerts after the Junior concert until the Easter trip, but the interval will be spent by both clubs in conscientious practice. The Easter trip is the objective of the season and if we may judge by the series of concerts recently given up north, it will prove the most successful in the history of the College A special car may be used and the personnel of the clubs will be practically the same as at present. The whole of the Easter vacation will be utilized. The tentative schedule for the trip is as follows: March 27, Little Falls; 28, Gloversville; 30, Schenectady; 31, Albany; April 1, Hudson; 2, Newburg; 3 Tarrytown; 4, Yonkers; 6, New Rochelle; 7, Peekskill.

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OPPORTUNITIES OF REGULAR reappearance are so few that we should prize all the more highly the privileges afforded by the yearly Junior week. With the date of Senior Ball falling more and more into disfavor, Junior Prom is becoming very properly *the* college dance. It has come to be an essential token of this peculiarly Hamilton season, a strictly winter dance, rich in the charm and pleasures which our location makes unusually striking, and as such a mid-year festivity is rather more acceptable than the synchronal examinations of other colleges. A better dance than ever is confidently assured, and certainly merits an attendance of at least a hundred. The Prom ticket is in itself a small item in the expenses of the week and well within the reach of any who care at all about the success of the dance. If the patronage is increased this year, the next committee will be in a position to make even more elaborate preparations, and the dance become more truly representative of the best spirit and effort of the College. For once, the committee has braved the uncertainty of the attendance and has incurred unusual expenses, asking in return only that for the sake of future Juniors this confidence of support be proved well founded.

The week, as a whole, offers a wonderful occasion to manifest that hospitality and good-humor which are so characteristic of our attitude in the past. We are accustomed to take such genuine pleasure in giving our guests a good time and "showing off" the College that, though we forfeit the commonplaceness of being sophisticated bores, we are far more successful than we think. If we manage to maintain our sincere geniality, without overdoing it through self-consciousness, something more satisfactory, though less tangible, will remain after it is all over than the melting wastes of tracked snow.

WITHOUT APOLOGIZING for the protest, we submit to the student body of Hamilton College this little exhortation: Pay your athletic subscriptions cheerfully and on time! There is not a man here but realizes the necessity of subscriptions. But the paying of them is a different matter. Too often they are given surlily, and sometimes, we regret to disclose, they are not paid at all. If the individual would only appreciate that the manager's career is "no bed of roses" and that his only reward is the satisfaction in having done something for Hamilton, this complaint would be unnecessary. But the fact remains; and to help the manager in this matter is the least we can give him by way of reward.

EVERY YEAR, AT LEAST within the memory of the present generation, we have had to be lectured to concerning the Washington's Birthday chapel question. Every year we have been told that it is our duty as well as our privilege to listen to some well-known speaker. Every year, so far, the lesson has had but little effect; the majority of us have shirked our duty.

It is a little matter indeed to get out of bed before eleven o'clock on that morning. Let us hope that the cause of our delinquency does not lie at the door of that kind of laziness. Where does the trouble lie? Are there many men of the type in college who shirk this duty just because it *is* a duty! We hope not.

It need not be repeated that the effect is not highly endearing to the speaker who has to address a couple of dozen or so. Dr. Stryker has told us each year with what mortification he has had to introduce a handful of us to a speaker as "Hamilton College." What feelings of satisfaction or what conviction that we have a student body up here on the Hill, besides the sixteen buildings and a faculty, can a man have who addresses so paltry a portion of the undergraduates?

You have all heard this before; the longer we have been here the more times we have heard it. What are we going to do about it?

There is only one course. Let us show Mr. Ridgeway that Hamilton men have some spirit, and at least a little sense of common decency, everyday politeness and simple appreciation.

PHI BETA KAPPA

The New York Epsilon of Phi Beta Kappa met at Commons Hall on Friday night. The occasion was a Phi Beta Kappa dinner given by Dr. Stryker. Previous engagements and sickness prevented a full attendance. Those present were: Dr Stryker, Dr. Fitch, Dr. Wood, Prof. Morrill, Prof. Ward, Prof. Ibbotson, Rev. Dwight Scovel, of Clinton, and Anibal, Fitch, Huntington, Judson and Laird, of the Senior Class.

The repast that was set before this "doughty thirteen" was pronounced the best that ever graced the Commons broad. Let it be said that the inner man had no cause for complaint. Dr. Stryker proved an admirable host and saw to it that the various dishes were well seasoned with good stories.

The literary event of the evening was Prof. Morrill's paper on "Heredity and Environment." The article

showed much research, and the subject was thoroughly treated. The work of modern experimenters and the latest conclusions of science as to cross-breeding of both plants and animals, the transmission of traits and the influence of heredity, ontogeny, environment and selection were presented with remarkable clearness. An instructive discussion followed, after which the company adjourned. The next of these social meetings will be with Mr. Charles B. Rogers, at his home on Bristol Street.

"THE CHARLATANS"

Last Saturday posters appeared advertising a new play of "The Charlatans" which is to be given at 3:30 on the Thursday afternoon of Junior week. The dramatic constellations promise to outshine their previous glory in a farce that is even better fitted to the cast and fuller of variety and action than that of last year, which was so tumultuously received. The players have profited by their experience and by the thorough coaching of Prof. Shepard. And the ladies! A little year has not detracted in any measure from their charm and beauty, which captivated the audience last spring. Preceding the play, which is called "His House in Disorder," a curtain-raiser is to be given entitled "At Your Service," full of fun from the beginning. The tickets have sold rapidly, especially the reserved seat ones, and the play promises to be a financial success as surely as it will be a dramatic success. The proceeds are to go to the baseball management and tickets may be obtained from either Love, '09, or from Willoughby, Manager of "The Charlatans."

ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

Next Wednesday noon, Feb. 26, the relay team will leave for Troy and in the evening will take part in the Troy Indoor Athletic Carnival. Captain Smith will enter the men in the mile relay race against Union and R. P. I. The personnel of the team and the order in which the men will run is: Knox, '10, Babcock, '08, Colson, '11, Captain Smith, '08. Capt. Smith is optimistic and says the chances of winning the race are at least favorable. On the indoor track the men have been the quarter in from 63 to 64½ seconds, which corresponds to about 56 seconds on the outdoor track. Renwick, on account of the coasting injury received Sunday night, will be unable to accompany the team.

The management is now communicating with several good track men in view of securing a coach for the regular spring work. Green, a member of Pennsylvania's relay team last year, is a possibility, as is also Cornell's track captain, who recently resigned from that university. Baxter, of Utica, is also being considered.

The tentative schedule for the season is as follows: May 14, Interclass Meet; May 23, R. P. I., at Troy; May 30, Union, at Clinton.

The Intercollegiate Meet which was to have been held at Rochester, has been cancelled owing to the withdrawal of Colgate and Hamilton. The management undoubtedly acted wisely in this, as the entries alone, aside from tthe expenses of the trip, would mean an expenditure of $130, with no way of recovering the money.

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

At a meeting of the Advisory Board held last Thursday evening, it was decided to empower the track manager to secure the services of Mr. Baxter, of Utica, for $200 as coach for track this spring.

The Committee for Interscholastic Day was also appointed. It consists of Henderson, '08, H. W Smith, '08, Butler, '09, and Renwick, '10. The meet this year is to be held May 16th, and active measures will immediately be taken toward making it a complete success.

NEW HARTFORD CONCERT

On Wednesday evening the Musical Clubs gave in New Hartford what many consider the best concert of the season thus far. The concert was for the benefit of the Presbyterian Church and was held in Butler Hall.

The programme was carried out without a noticeable defect and each club is entitled to an equal share of the praise. The hall was taxed to its full capacity with a particularly appreciative audience and encores were generously given. While the program is without doubt a first-class one, the leaders think it advisable to change a few numbers and to that end some new music will be learned before the Easter trip.

The ladies of the church gave the men a delicious supper after the concert.

SENIOR CLUB

Monday evening last the Senior Club was pleasantly entertained at Commons Hall by Karl Adams, '08. After the interest in cards and bowling had somewhat passed, refreshments were served. Later, gathering around the fireplace in the glow of burning embers, the occasion took the form of story and song. After pronouncing Adams a royal entertainer, the jollity of the evening was ended by a class yell for the host.

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HILL NOTES

—Prof. Brandt spent several days in Albany during the last week.

—"Uncle John" has announced that the "Gym." show will be given Wednesday, March 4th.

—The following men are out for the assistant managership of baseball: S. W. Jones, Parry, Peters and Richardson.

—A backstop has been set up on the second floor of the Gym. for use in indoor baseball practice.

—Soper, '08, is in New York this week on business connected with the eastern trip of the Musical Clubs.

—The D. T.'s are wearing their new pins—a neat little gold oblong with a champagne cork in the upper half and a D. T. monogram in the lower half.

—On condition that the festivities of Junior Week be limited to three days, the Faculty has decided to give the student-body next Friday as a special holiday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Calder of Utica have announced the engagement of their daughter, Louise Walcott, to Mr. Horace King Holley, '08, of La Crosse, Wis.

—There should be wire netting placed over the windows on the second floor of the Gym. to prevent them from being broken during the indoor baseball practice.

—Postals with the picture of the Musical Clubs may now be obtained from the management and the candidates for assistant manager. The price of the postals is two for five cents.

—Thursday night the 'Varsity met defeat by Williams in the second game of the trip by a score of 42 to 21. Sherwin and Hopkins did Hamilton's best work. No fouls were called on the 'Varsity.

—Sunday evening at the Methodist Church of Waterville Prof. Davenport delivered his lecture on "The Human Nature of Abraham Lincoln." He spoke under the auspices of the Men's Own Club.

—Renwick, '10, who was seriously injured while coasting Monday morning, has been taken to Faxton Hospital, Utica. He is reported as doing as well as possible, and he will probably be able to be on the Hill again next week.

—Monday afternoon at the School Administration Building Prof. Ibbotson delivered before the Teachers' Association of Utica the sixth lecture in his course on the "English Poetry of the Nineteenth Century." His subject for the afternoon was "The Influence of Mediaeval Literature Upon the Poetry of the Nineteenth Century."

—The 'Varsity team, with Capt. Smith again in the game, left Wednesday afternoon on the scheduled eastern trip. Besides the games already heard from, two other games are scheduled, one each night, Friday with Rutgers, and ending up with C. C. N. Y. in New York on Saturday.

ALUMNIANA

'67. Sherwin has been on the Hill.

'72. Albert L. Blair of Brooklyn was on the Hill last week

'81. The March issue of the Smart Set contained a short poem by Clinton Scollard called "Storm and Calm."

'94. Rev. D. L. Roberts has just assumed the pastorate of the Mexico, N. Y., Presbyterian Church, after serving it for two years as synodical missionary.

'97. C. J. Beakes is now connected with the law department of the New York Central Railroad. His office is in the Grand Central Station.

'00. William Ross Lee is to speak at the Sunday evening service of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Utica, tomorrow evening.

'00. H. Dorsey Spencer is patent expert with the United Shoe Machinery Co. of Boston, Mass.

'05. A cable dispatch from Germany announces the death in that country of Marion Sweet. Mr. Sweet was studying in Germany. No particulars have as yet been learned of his death.

JUNIOR SCHEDULE.

Once again Prom Week has come round. This time it is the Class of 1909 which will hold sway over the festivities. For four days this Hill will be in the possession of girls, chaperones and light-hearted boys, and then back to the old routine. On Wednesday night will be held the majority of the Fraternity house dances. ΑΔΦ, ΨΥ, ΘΔΧ and ΧΨ will give formals on that night. Thursday afternoon at 3:30 the Dramatic Club will present a farce in Scollard Opera House, preceded by a one-act curtain raiser. That night the main number of the week's gaieties, Junior Prom, will occur. Friday afternoon a basketball game with New York University, and the regular Prom. concert of the Glee Club will keep everyone busy. That night ΣΦ, ΔΥ, and ΔΚΕ will entertain, and the same evening will also be held an Underclassmen dance in the ΧΨ lodge.

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